

THE COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD

LICENSING PANEL MINUTES

OPEN MEETING

April 20, 2011

9:03 a.m.

The Licensing Panel of the Colorado Medical Board met on Wednesday, April 20, 2011, in the offices of the Colorado Medical Board, 1560 Broadway, Conference Room 110-A, Denver, Colorado, beginning at 9:03 a.m. The meeting was noticed in accordance with Division Policy.

Present were: Dr. Groce, Dr. Matthews, and Mr. Schoenmakers.

Dr. Matthews conducted the meeting.

Also in attendance for all or part of the meeting were: Marschall Smith, Program Director; Maria Soto, Program Assistant; Jan Seewald, Licensing Specialist; Dennis Rhodes, Office of Expedited Settlement; and Assistant Attorney General Gina Simonson.

MINUTES

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 16, 2011, as amended.

LICENSING MATTERS

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to enter into Executive Session at 9:04 a.m. The Panel enter into executive session for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions, pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402(3)(a)(II), and for the purpose of discussing matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes pursuant to C.R.S. section 24-6-402(3)(a)(III), specifically:

To discuss with counsel specific legal questions regarding the applicability of C.R.S. 12-36-116(1) to the following applicants: April A. Baran, PA-C; Joyce Gibbons, PA-C; Teresa Loftin, MD; Ivan G. Olarte, MD; Dietrich Klinghardt, MD; Gary S. Donovitz, MD; Brandon J. Patton, MD and Mohamed Elnachuf, MD.

To discuss with counsel specific legal questions regarding the applicability of C.R.S. 12-36-107.2 to applicant Richard John Ing, M.D.

To discuss the medical records which are confidential pursuant to C.R.S. 25, article I, part 12 and C.R.S. section 13-90-107(1)(d) for the following applicants: Sahar Stephens, MD; Jennifer Chiu, MD and Maria Aguirre, MD.

To discuss Confidential Agreements applicable to those applicants whose identity and treatment information is confidential pursuant to C.R.S. 12-36-118.5 (2010).

After discussion, the Panel exited the Executive Session at 10:07 a.m. and returned to open session.

Physicians – Administratively Approved

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the physician applicants listed below for licensure:

**Abair, Christine Hansum
Anderson, Mary Elizabeth
Andrews, Sasha Elizabeth
Andrus, James Patrick
Arguello, Daniel Dayton
Asarch, Adam Daniel
Ault, Krista Lynn
Berkus, Vicki Lynn
Blatt, Rebecca Jean
Boggs, Mary Kathryn
Boykin, Robert Ernest
Brar, Samrit Singh
Braund, Cortney Cristen
Brewer, James Paul
Buck, William Christopher
Buhler, Carey Clay
Burns, Sean Thomas
Carney, Heather Mary
Charnecki, Sara Elizabeth
Conway, Kieara Ann
Damien, Miguel
Davenport, Chip Rundell
Donaldson, Matthew R
Doshi, Nikunj C
Dycus, Dawn Michelle
Edwards, Samuel Eric
El-Halawany, Cheri N
Fernandez, Patrick Glenn
Fernelius, Colby Arthur
Gadgil, Milind Satish
Geyer, Mark R
Gray, Chad Eric
Gray, Rickey Clint
Gupta, Dave S
Hammers, Ronald Lindbergh
Harasaki, Yasuaki
Harden, Kimberly Susanne
Harris, Thomas LeRoy
Heppe, Daniel Bruce
Hoobler, Randall James
Hubbell, Sarah Broom**

**Hull, Michael Edward
Hurst, Nicole D
Husain, Farah Anwari
Huynh, Edward Phu
Iverson, Katrina Elise
Jackson, Julia Amanda
Jaiswal, Kshama Rama
Jennings, Kate Suzanne
Johnson, Christopher Nathan
Joy, Kathleen Michelle
Kapler, Elisa Suzanne
Keator, Cynthia Guadalupe
Kelmenson, Amy Talbott
Kinkartz, Jason Daniel
Kumm, Randal Charles
Leem, Ted H
Loy, David Neil
Lum, Hillary Day
Mahlberg, Matthew John
Mandell, Erica Wynne
Maran, Lori Lieberman
Martin, Elisabeth Susan
Moley, John M
Monson, Matthew Albert
Morgan, Kyle Chandler
Nicolarsen, Jeremy Robert
Nikolavsky, Dmitriy
Patrick, Donald Ross, JR
Peace, William Joseph
Pence, Mikaila Heldt
Peralta, Nicholle Rae
Peralto, Marci Lee K
Pizzi, Catherine Cole
Porter, Andrew Cox
Preece, Michael Tanner
Que, Jr., Leon Tan
Reuben, Brian Christopher
Ridall, Leslie Ann
Rider, James Elliot
Ross, Ethan Michael
Rustici, Matthew James**

Sartor, Ashleigh Marie
Schenck, Joseph Paul
Schwartz, Jonathan Galloway
Seaman, Joseph Carey
Sekar, Satya Mary
Shaeffer, David Scott
Sharrer, Lindsay Kristine
Shaw, Eric Thomas
Sibre, Kelly Elizabeth
Simmonds, Dale
Smith, Joshua Edward
Sobel, Barry Jay
Spellman, Keith Michael
Stewart, Michael Scott
Stramel, Eric
Sweeney, Elizabeth Glenn
Tarin, Jennifer Ann

Tennant, Phillip R
Thomas, Jeffrey Boyd
Thomas, Stephanie Diane
Timm, David D
Todaro, Matthew Anthony
Torres-Quinones, Marta Ivelisse
Vue, Padade Maria
Wagner, Aaron Scot
Warren, Garth Dylan
Weber, Rebeka Leigh
Weidle, Kenyon Joseph
Wheeler, Ashley Elizabeth
Wilcox, Carrie Elizabeth
Wood, Cristina Louise
Wright, Ralph J, III
Zaremba, Joseph Anthony
Zonno, Alan Joseph

Physician Training Applicant – Administratively Approved

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the physician training applicant listed below for licensure:

Carrie E. Jones

Physician Applicants – 1 Civil Malpractice Case - Administratively Approved

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the physician applicants listed below for licensure:

Lance O. Allen, D.O.
Kimberlly Siv Chhor, M.D.
Lauren Harmon Gainor, M.D.
Sonia Ann Kirk, M.D.
Brett Allan Nelson, M.D.
Denise M. O’Grady, M.D.

Physician Applicants – Endorsement - 1 Civil Malpractice Case – Administratively Approved

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the physician applicants listed below for licensure:

David Robin Fulcher, D.O.
Gabriel Eugene Hunt, M.D.
Henry Lewis, III, M.D.
Steven Sehr, M.D.

IMG Applicants – Administratively Approved

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to grant the physician applicants listed below a Colorado medical license pursuant to Section 12-36-107.6., C.R.S.:

Shipra Garg, M.D.
Mohammad Ahmad Kamal, M.D.
Kirk Ernest Mitchell, M.D.
Amir Obbehath, M.D.
Sonia Okuyama Sasaki, M.D.
(1 civil malpractice case)
Alexander Shapiro, M.D.
Stephanus J. Tjan, M.D.

IMG Applicants – Endorsement – Administratively Approved

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to grant the physician applicants listed below a Colorado medical license pursuant to Section 12-36-107.6., C.R.S.:

Jean Joseph Dansereau, M.D.
Robert Rickel Fierer, M.D.
Alvin J. Fineman, M.D.
Voislav Filip Ognyanov, M.D.

Special Physician Assistant Applicant - Reactivation – Requiring Board Review

April Ann Baran, PA-C

Ms. Baran was present at the Meeting.

After review of the application a motion was made, seconded and carried to grant Ms. Baran a Colorado re-entry physician assistant license following receipt of her CPEP evaluation. A motion was made, seconded and carried to grant the program director authority to issue the reentry license status if indicated by the CPEP evaluation.

Special Physician Applicant – Reinstatement – Requiring Board Review

Joyce Marie Gibbons, PA-C

After review of the application, a motion was made, and seconded, and carried to grant Ms. Gibbons a Colorado physician assistant license.

Special Physician Applicants — Requiring Board Review

Teresa Diane Loftin, M.D.

Dr. Loftin was present at the meeting.

After review of the application materials, a motion was made, seconded and carried to grant Dr Loftin a license subject to probationary terms and to refer the matter to the Office of the Attorney General for drafting these terms.

Amended July 6, 2011 per Panel instructions 6-15-2011 MSS
Randolph Alphonse Lopez, M.D. *A second motion was made, seconded, and carried to delegate authority to the Program Director to sign for the Panel in this matter.*

After review of the application, a motion was made, and seconded, and carried to grant Dr. Lopez a Colorado medical license.

Thiyagarajan Raju Meyappan, M.D.

The Panel reviewed the mitigating circumstances and information regarding Dr. Meyappan's request for a waiver.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to waive the timeline provision of paragraph 5 of Board Rule 100 and grant Dr. Meyappan a Colorado medical license based on his extensive training.

Ivan Guillermo Olarte, M.D.

The Panel reviewed the mitigating circumstances and information regarding Dr. Olarte's request for a waiver.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to waive the timeline provision of paragraph 5 of Board Rule 100 and grant Dr. Olarte a Colorado medical license based on the transferring timelines caused by his medical school transfers.

Sahar Masoudi Stephens, M.D.

After review of the application, a motion was made, seconded, and carried to grant Dr. Stephens a Colorado medical license.

Special Physician Applicants – Tabled - Requiring Board Review

Jennifer Chiu, M.D.

After review of the application materials, a motion was made, seconded and carried to grant Dr Chiu a license subject to probationary terms and to refer the matter to the Office of the Attorney General for drafting these terms.

A second motion was made, seconded, and carried to allow Dr. Chiu to withdraw her application.

Gary Steven Donovan, M.D.

The Panel reviewed correspondence from Dr. Donovan.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to uphold the Panel's previous motion of tabling this application for a CPHP evaluation.

Mark Allen Freter, M.D.

After review of the information available, a motion was made, seconded and carried to uphold the Panel's previous guidance.

A second motion was made, seconded, and carried to allow Dr. Freter to withdraw his application within 30 days from the date of this meeting. This withdrawal will be reported to the Federation of State Medical Boards as required by law.

Brandon J. Patton, M.D.

Dr. Patton was present at the meeting.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to uphold the Panel's previous motion of tabling this application for a CPHP evaluation.

Special IMG Applicant – Endorsement - Requiring Board Review

Mohamed Elnachef, M.D.

After review of the application, a motion was made, seconded, and carried to grant Dr. Elnachef a Colorado medical license by endorsement.

Special IMG Applicants – Requiring Board Review

Maria Lourdes Aguirre, M.D.

After review of the application, a motion was made, seconded and carried to refer this case to the Office of the Attorney General for resolution.

Yisfalem Woldemariam Alamdew, M.D.

The Panel reviewed the mitigating circumstances and information regarding Dr. Alamdew's request for a waiver of Board Rule 100.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to waive the timeline provision of paragraph 5 of Board Rule 100 and grant Dr. Alamdew a Colorado medical license based on his extensive education and board certification.

Dietrich Konrad Klinghardt, M.D.

After review of the application, a motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve A Ludwigs University of Freiburg pursuant to 12-36-102.5(3), C.R.S., specifically and solely for the purpose of Dr. Kinghardt's application.

A second motion was made, seconded, and carried to waive the 36 months of post graduate training of Board Policy 20-05, based upon his successful completion of his ACGME general surgery residency.

A second motion was made, seconded, and carried to grant Dr. Klinghardt a Colorado medical license.

Navid V. Vassey, M.D.

After review of the application, a motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve St. Matthews University School of Medicine pursuant to 12-36-102.5(3), C.R.S., specifically and solely for the purpose of Dr. Vassey's application. The approval of the medical school was based on Dr. Vassey's excellent evaluations and satisfactory completion of his ACGME residency.

A second motion was made, seconded, and carried to grant Dr. Vassey a Colorado medical license.

Patricia Westmoreland, M.D

The Panel reviewed the mitigating circumstances and information regarding Dr. Westmoreland's request for a waiver.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to waive the timeline provision of paragraph 5 of Board Rule 100 and grant Dr. Westmoreland a Colorado medical license based on her board certification and licensure in other jurisdictions.

**Distinguished Foreign Teaching Physician Applicants – New –
Requiring Board Review**

Richard John Ing, M.D.

After review of the application, a motion was made, seconded, and carried to grant Dr. Ing a Distinguished Foreign Teaching license.

Physician Applicant – Notice of withdrawal

Joseph Berdecia-Rodriguez, M.D.

The Panel had previously authorized Dr. Berdecia-Rodriquez to voluntarily withdraw his application. Dr. Berdecia-Rodriquez decided to exercise this option. No action was required.

UNLICENSED PRACTICE OF MEDICINE

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to enter into Executive Session at 11:41 a.m. The Panel enter into executive session for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions, pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402(3)(a)(II), and for the purpose of discussing matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes pursuant to C.R.S. section 24-6-402(3)(a)(III), specifically:

Pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.) section 24-6-402(3)(a)(II), to confer with counsel to receive legal advice on specific legal questions regarding the applicability of C.R.S., section 12-36-111.3(3) to the following individuals:

- Robert Schwabe (Dr. Groce recused himself from participation in this case and departed the room).
- Brandon Creuder, D.C.
- Stephanie Bender.

Pursuant to C.R.S. section 24-6-402(3)(a)(IV), to discuss specialized details of an investigation where disclosure of the matters discussed might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing or avoiding prosecution for a violation of the Colorado medical Practice Act, pursuant to C.R.S. section 24-6-402(3)(a)(IV).

- Stephanie Bender

After discuss, the Panel exited the Executive Session at 11:59 a.m. and returned to open session.

Stephanie Bender

A motion was made, seconded and carried to refer this case to the Office of the Attorney General to coordinate and assess for appropriate action.

Brandon Credeur, D.C.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to refer the complaint to the Office of Investigations (OI) and to authorize the Program Director to address and coordinate issues involving this practitioner with OI on behalf of the Panel.

Robert Schwabe

Dr. Groce recused himself from participation in this case and departed the room.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to refer this case to the Office of Investigations for investigation in cooperation with the Summit County Sherriff's Department.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m. These minutes were approved by the Licensing Panel on May 18, 2011.

Approved by: Kathleen Matthews, M.D.

Date: May 18, 2011